



CANCER BURDEN

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that¹

- 1,368,030 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 4,390 in Delaware.
- 563,700 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 1,810 in Delaware.

The average annual age-adjusted death rate for cancer per 100,000 persons²

Delaware: 217.4 **National:** 199.8

LUNG CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that¹

- 550 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Delaware.
- 510 men and women will die of lung cancer in Delaware.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

The average annual age-adjusted death rates for lung cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001^{2,3}

	Delaware	National
Overall	63.7	56.2
White	63.0	56.2
Black	72.0	65.2
Hispanic	53.2	24.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	28.2
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	36.3

BREAST CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that¹

- 700 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Delaware.
- 130 women will die of breast cancer in Delaware.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

The average annual age-adjusted death rates for breast cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001^{2,3}

	Delaware	National
Overall	30.0	27.0
White	28.8	26.4
Black	35.3	35.4
Hispanic	-	17.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	12.6
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	13.6

Visit <http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/npcr/index.htm> —

United States Cancer Statistics — for more information on top cancer sites by geographic area, race, and gender.

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that¹

- 410 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Delaware.
- 160 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Delaware.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

The average annual age-adjusted death rates for colorectal cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001^{2,3}

	Delaware	National
Overall	21.8	20.8
White	20.7	20.3
Black	30.9	28.3
Hispanic	-	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	13.9

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that¹

- 690 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Delaware.
- 90 men will die of prostate cancer in Delaware.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

The average annual age-adjusted death rates for prostate cancer per 100,000 men, by race, 1997–2001^{2,3}

	Delaware	National
Overall	32.4	31.5
White	28.2	28.8
Black	69.3	70.4
Hispanic	-	23.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	20.2

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2004. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and *in situ* cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2004. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals were rounded to nearest 10.

² Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1997–2001. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.